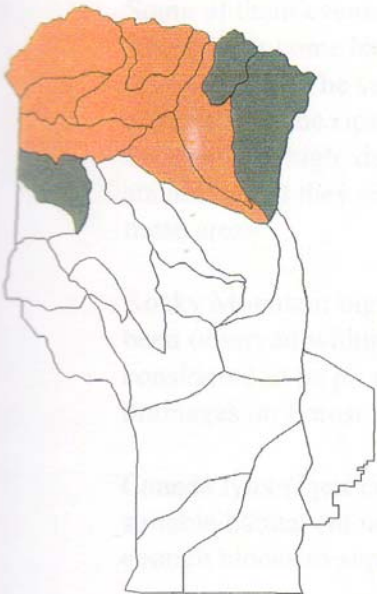


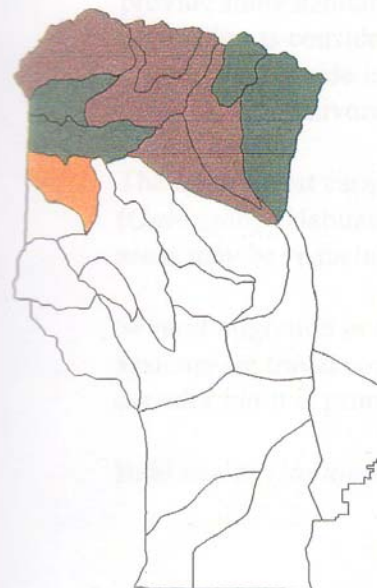
## Figure 8. Special Status Species Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout 6th Level HUC's



**Status:** This factor reflects the current distribution and status of exotic species (rainbow and brook trout) and the extent of their overlap with Yellowstone cutthroat trout. Professional judgement as to the rate of expansion of exotic fish species into remnant Yellowstone cutthroat trout habitat was also used. The general definitions of the status rating factors are located in Appendix 5.



**Risk:** This factor reflects the likelihood that either brook trout or rainbow trout will totally overwhelm the Yellowstone cutthroat trout populations and cause their removal from the Medicine Lodge Subbasin. The general definitions of the risk rating factors are located in Appendix 5.



**Opportunity:** The relative potential of maintaining or improving the distribution, status and health of the Yellowstone cutthroat trout populations in the Medicine Lodge Subbasin. The general definitions of the opportunity rating factors are located in Appendix 5.

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